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SUBJ: TRANSGABON RAILROAD: GE BID FOR LOCOMOTIVES

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ABIDJAN FOR REDSO/WA

YAOUNDE FOR RDO

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1. OCTRA DIRECTOR MASSON CALLED ME OCTOVER 2 TO SAY THAT HE HAD JUST RECEIVED WORD FROM PARIS THAT GOG HAD CHANGED ITS DECISION ON AWARDING ENTIRE LOCOMOTIVE BID TO FRENCH COMPANY AND WAS AWARDING HALF OF CONTRACT TO FRENCH COMPANY AND HALF TO GE. MASSON SAID HE WAS VERY PLEASED WITH THE OUTCOME WHICH HE SAID WAS ON BALANCE THE MOST LOGICAL ONE AND ONE WHICH HE CLAIMED HE HAD PERSONALLY ADVOCATED FROM THE START. I THEN CALLED TKMINISTER OF STATE RAWIRI IN PARIS, AS HE HAD REQUESTED ME TO DO ON PREVIOUS DAY, AND RAWIRI CONFIRMED THAT GOG SPLITTING LOCOMOTIVE CONTRACT BETWEEN GE AND

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FRENCH FIRM AND THAT HE HAD INSTRUCTED MASSON TO SO

INFORM ME.

2. HOPE THAT GE WILL CONSIDER HALF A LOAF BETTER THAN
NONE AND LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING GE REACTION TO FINAL
GOG DECISION IN THIS MATTER.MCKESSON

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